# WISC-UP

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### **Upcoming Events**

(Click on event title to go directly to our website for more information and to register or <u>here for all Wisc-UP</u> <u>events</u>.)

American Dream Rally (Non Airstream Club Rally) Winthrop Harbor, IL August 1 - 3, 2025 A Message from President President Morten Lindstad



It is already July, and the weeds, squirrels, and rabbits are trying to eliminate the flowers I planted this spring. Children and Grandchildren on the other hand are growing healthy and strong, which was on display at the Future Streamers Rally at Silver Springs campground last month. Jan and I had the pleasure to meet the Lee family, who hosted this event. Three brothers and one sister have rotated on hosting what was known as the Kids, Kids, Kids Rally, now known as Future Streamers, the last 3 years. I am amazed by the energy and fun these 11 children had. Silver Springs is a family friendly campground with a small lake and swimming pool, bouncy pad and play area with climbing wall. Our camp sites were setup as a large square with four Airstreams facing each other. It looked great when all the Airstreams had their awnings out.

Thank you to Zach and Steph Lee for hosting 😊

Today, Wednesday July 9th, we are on our way to Festival of Sails Rally in Duluth Minnesota. I am looking forward to setting

### Upcoming Events (Cont.)

2025 International Rally York, PA York Expo Center August 23 - 28, 2025 Registration Link Here

<u>Alumapalooza</u> (Non Airstream Club Rally) Jackson Center, OH September 2 - 7, 2025 <u>Registration Link Here</u>

2025 Minnesota Airstream Club & Region 7 Fall Rally Wildwood RV & Campground Shafer MN September 11 - 14, 2025 Host Pam Rawn (BRN 9757)

Racine Wisconsin Fall Rally October 17 - 19, 2025 More details to follow! Hosts Morten Lindstad and Jan Treolo (BRN 1636)

Stay tuned, more events are always in the works!

# A Message from President Morten Lindstad (Cont.)

(BRN 1636)

foot on a ship and feeling the slow rolling of the deck, something I have not done for many years. We will tell you more after this trip. Thank you to Jane and Greg Heyer for hosting <sup>©</sup>

I am comfortable towing about 200 miles a day, so we spent a cool night in Lake Wissota State Park, which is close to Chippewa falls. The sounds of birds were all I heard this morning.

The next Wisc-UP rally will be in Racine, October 17th through 19th which Jan and I will host. We offer a tour on Saturday of the SC Johnson headquarters. Some of the buildings were designed by Frank Lloyd Wright. Sorry, this tour does not include the newest Airstream model ;-) We plan for the traditional fish fry dinner at a



local restaurant Friday evening. Danish immigrants settled in Racine area, so for morning coffee hour we will have danish baked goods. During this rally we will hold the Wisc-UP general business meeting and elect club officers, hope to see you there.

John Cooper released the new Wisc-UP rally signup and directory server. This is changing how Rally hosts and participants manage future rallies. For hosts it creates contact lists to show who has signed up for each rally, and any optional activities. For rally participants it shows all the rallies

# Membership News

Pattie Cook BRN 22562



Pattie is our Membership Chair. Her email is: <u>pattiejcook@gmail.com</u>

Here are the latest new members of the Wisc-UP! Welcome!



Amna Aziz and Peter Block Mequon, WI BRN 25610

Mara and Jamie Halverson Ettrick, WI BRN 12526

Charles and Kathryn Schwiesow Brookfield, WI BRN 03594

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you have signed up for and cuts the chances of signing up or paying more than one time. Each Wisc-UP member will have to do a little homework to create a personal profile, or account on the new server. You have the option to add a picture of yourself, which will be visible only to Wisc-UP members.

Thank you, John 😊

Where are YOU going this summer / fall? Why not invite fellow club members and make it a rally? Please contact me or any board member if you would like some help with hosting a rally.

See you down the road 😊

Morten.



# We Rally Together! Future Streamers Rally -Silver Springs Campground - Rio, WI

# June 19 - 22, 2025

Hosts Stephanie & Zachary Lee (BRN 8583)

### *Rally Reporters Zach, Steph, Charlotte, and Delilah Lee*

Silver Springs gave us exactly what we needed. Soft grass under the tires, a calm lake glimmering in the heat, and plenty of room to tuck our shiny rigs into one snug corral. The temps climbed into the nineties so the shade trees and





quick dips in the water saved us

more than once. Once the awnings were out and the lights were glowing, camp felt like an instant block party.

My trailer did its best to keep things interesting. The twenty year old rooftop AC picked arrival day to quit and filled the cabin with the smell of toasted plastic. One emergency trip to Costco later I had a portable floor unit strapped in place and blowing cool air. A new GE Profile is already on order so I will be ready next time.

Here is the full crew that made it happen. Amna Aziz and Peter Block with Oliver and Lucas, Chuck and Janet

Zellermayer with Betsy and Molly, Matt and Meghan Lee with Camden and Olivia, Nathan and Emily Lee with Henry, Owen, and Jude, Emily Lee with Nicholas, Morten Lindstad and Jan Treolo, Tim and Patti Valenza, plus John and Terri Cooper. Twelve kids in all and they ran the show in the best way.

The picnic tables became a t-shirt shop. Nathan and I cranked out fresh Future Streamers tees while the kids filled the backs with their own art and flashed brand new Wisc-UP lanyards like VIP passes. Adults traded travel hacks and future trip ideas while keeping the snack bowls full.



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Mornings smelled like pancakes and strong coffee.

Afternoons were for fishing at the pond, splashing in the pool, and grabbing a quick nap if you were lucky. Evenings brought stacks of pizza and an outdoor showing of Troop Beverly Hills, to our surprise was Betsy and Molly's favorite. A gust of wind knocked the screen over near the end but we propped it back up and kept rolling. The campfire





crackled every night even in the heat and bedtime kept sliding later.

Sunday arrived too soon. One last cup of coffee, a group photo, hugs all around, and a parade of Airstreams heading home with new stories and bigger plans for 2026. Next year we are shooting for a full double corral so everyone can hang out in one big shared space.





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Dixie Zellermayer had such a great time at the FS rally, she napped for hours afterwards.

### **Our Members Always Keep Us Up to Date!** By Mike and Mary Cooney (BRN21412)

Our new tow vehicle as of this past weekend. A Ford F350 well equipped. With great expectations it may be our last truck. Regular gas fueled with a payload exceeding 4K lbs it should be more than enough to meet our needs. Built in sway control which I expect will eliminate the need for a weight distributing hitch, as well as integrated tongue weight scale thereby assuring we have a properly

balanced load without the need to visit CAT scales except occasionally to verify what it tells me is the truth, whole truth and nothing but the truth. Will let the curious know how well it all works. Still planning to add-on a few things like spray in bed liner, a slide out for the bed, and a cap. And probably an integrated camera system that will capture the signal from the rear of our 30' globetrotter and display it on the built-in dash display. Keep on Truck'n.

We had planned on attending the Duluth rally but had to cancel out due to a medical need. Mike has gone nearly blind in the left eye due to a cataract that has to be dealt with and the



earliest available date is a conflict with the rally date. So regrettably, we will miss seeing all of you in July.

Our future plans include the Ores and Shores caravan in September and then a long haul trip to Casa Grande in southern Arizona most likely in October. We have rented a space there on an annual basis and tentatively intend to take the truck and trailer there, spend a few weeks, then fly back to Green Bay for the Holidays. In early January we will fly back to Arizona and use our Palm Creek RV Resort site as a base camp until early May when we will return to WI for the remainder of summer and early Fall.

We learned about the RV resort from our fellow Wisc-UP Airstreamers Pam and Kelly Meer. We were passing by the area two years ago and called them up to see about visiting them at their site in Casa Grande. They responded almost instantly and arranged for us to get a temporary site next

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to them for a few days. We liked it so much that we rented is again this year for the first five months and then signed an annual lease on the spot. It is nicely situated abut half way between Tucson and Phoenix. There are so many things to do we could not pack them all in. Mary took up silversmithing, pottery and some woodworking. We both enjoyed many rounds of golf mostly with the Meers at the onsite golf course. Mike keeps a motorcycle in Arizona and took up sailplane (glider) piloting.

Mike is currently planning to take a site at the annual EAA AirVenture Fly In in Oshkosh, WI the last full week of July. If anyone is planning to attend please look us up and we will be glad to offer a cold drink and a place to sit down in the shade and enjoy it for a while.

Please excuse any typos. Spelling and grammar are secondary when squinting like a pirate from one weak, non dominant left eye while typing. Hope all have a wonderful summer.

Live to Rally, Rally to Live.

### **For Sale!**

#### 1959 Airstream Traveler 18' & 1974 Thompson Boat 21'

For more information on these two items contact Ed Emerick (BRN 4425) @ <u>edward.emerick@gmail.com</u> , call or text <u>920-475-7891</u>.





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### Chuck, The Drunk Yard Gnome



### Message From the Editors Ed & Sandy Emerick BRN 4425



Summer is in full swing! Warm temperatures,

sunny skies, the beaches and parks are calling you. We hope your summer is exciting and you are having many adventures. Some of you like to sit tight through this busy time of the year and work in the garden, go fishing, sit by the pool and have a cocktail or three and enjoy this nice weather. Whatever you are doing OUR MEMBERS NEED TO KNOW!

We have some great really reports and travel adventures that you have shared with us and we again thank you for your efforts, keep those cards and letters coming! However, I think you need a break from my demands and we will not be publishing an August newsletter, your next issue will be out in September 2025. With a September 10, 2025 cut off date you have *plenty* of time to put together your next adventure story, sales ad, photo op, selfie, book report, rally report and any fiction you would like to provide for the September issue.

Remember, if inspiration hits you, you don't have to wait until September 10, 2015 to send in your articles, send them as you think of them and I will make sure they make the next issue. So if you are writing that new song send it to me, writing a poem, a novel, a recipe, mapping out a new bike trail or building a beach.... OUR MEMBERS NEED TO KNOW!

Send those cards and letters to <u>emerick4425@gmail.com</u> and we will make you famous!

Have a great July and August and we will see you in September or down the road, which ever comes first!

Last month, this showed up with the UPS man (thank goodness it wasn't a flamingo). It was sent to me by one of our club members..... He will be showing up in the strangest of places and maybe has a story or two to tell. Meet "Chuck" the gnome that has a tendency to drink. He is one "evil genius"!



# **Our Members' Travels**

#### **Our Big Southwest Adventure**

### By Yan & Maryann Newenbous (BRN 12917)

We purchased our 2016 27 Flying Cloud in Fall 2023. Our travels were limited until Maryann retired on Jan 15, 2025. We hit the road on Feb 1 for our trek to the Southwest.

We stayed at 22 campgrounds during our 46-day route that took us through IL, MO, OK, TX, NM, AZ and AR. That was a not-to-be-repeated silliness. Way too many short stops! But, we wanted to visit a lot of places. We put 5,100 miles on the trailer and 7,500 on our tow vehicle. We had 44 days of sunshine, with only 2 periods of rain, both at night. The lowest temps were in the upper 20s on a few nights. We had a couple of days with highs in the 50s, and one high in the 90s, with most days in the upper 60s to low 70s. We booked all of our sites ahead, a challenge since we didn't start planning until Nov 2024. We learned that starting 6 to 12 months before is necessary to get into the most popular spots (National and State Parks).



Our favorite destinations were Petrified Forest National Park AZ, Kartchner Caverns State Park AZ, White Sands National Park NM, Big Bend National Park TX and Lake Ouachita State Park AR. Bisbee AZ with its Copper Mining history, Rockhound State Park NM and Pay-To-Dig Quartz Mines in Mt Dora AR warmed Maryann's rock hunter's heart. Bentonville AR was a fun stop with the Sam Walton Museum and Museum of American Art. Corpus Christi's USS Lexington Aircraft Carrier made for an interesting visit (though the city was so-so). Austin, San Antonio, Waco were just OK.

Our favorite RV campgrounds were: Gilbert Ray Campground -Tucson AZ and Lake Ouachita State Park -Mountain Pines AR. We will return to both the next time we head that way and would add Catalina State Park and Organ Pipe National Monument in AZ by booking earlier. Maryann enjoyed Lynn B's Land, a Hipcamp site near Big Bend, but Yan thought it was too barren and dusty. We bookdocked in Nomad-Land Quartzite just to say we did. Not our favorite stay – barren and run-down. The nearby Kofa National Wilderness would be a much better boondocking option. The



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### ByYan & Maryann Newenhous (BRN 12917)

Southwinds Marina campground at Laughlin AFB in Del Rio TX provided a nice respite with its new FREE washers and dryers (you don't have to be military to stay there). The not-so-nice campgrounds we visited included the Silver Oaks Airstream RV Park in Aransas Pass TX (right on a very busy, 6-lane, 70 mph road with a lighted billboard directly above our rig) – though we did enjoy being with other Streamers – and Tularosa Vineyards, a blah Hipcamp in Tularosa NM.

Traveling with 2 cats and a dog certainly added to the "excitement" of our trip. The cats had never traveled further than the vet. Our family took odds on whether we'd return with 2 cats, as one of our cats is an escape artist. He figured out how to open the sliding screen door latch cover, leading to a thrilling chase through the cactus in Tucson. And, he learned how to bypass the netting we set up to keep him in the TV backseat, entangling himself in my husband's feet while driving.



We had mechanical challenges, as to be expected on a long trip. We left both drains on the water tank open, so lost all our fresh water along the way to our first stop at a Cracker Barrel in St Louis. We learned at our next stop that we could not have used the toilet anyway because the toilet valve had broken (we winterized using water line the blow-out method and water must have frozen in that small component). It took a couple more stops before we could source a replacement part. We were fortunate to avoid any mother-nature-induced issues as we stayed one step ahead of/or behind haboobs (dust storms that killed motorists in AZ), wildfires (that killed folks in TX) and tornadoes (that were destructive and deadly in AR/MO).

Would we do it again? You bet! We'll visit FL and SC for the Winter of 2026, just for variety. But the SW is on the radar for 2027 or 2028.



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#### The McMahons great Utah adventure!

### By Carol & Rick McMahon (BRN 5881)

What an AMAZING trip! The United States has so much to offer in spectacular places to see. This year, we planned a grand trip to see the Utah Mighty Five! This included Arches National Park, Canyonlands National Park, Natural Bridges and Bears Ears National Monuments, Goblin Valley State park, Capitol Reef National Park, The Grand Staircase/Escalante National Monument, Bryce and Zion National Park. Planning was several months of research, Facebook pages, RV Trip Wizard, a detailed spreadsheet built for "things to do and see" at each location, broken into days and a separate sheet for camp location dates and detail. Total of 50 nights and 17 locations. We left Easter Monday and headed through Colorado to our first stop Moab and Arches. Arches requires timed entry passes which need to be reserved in advance as they go quick. We hit the hiking hard with a big

climb to Delicate Arch early AM which is a significant elevation climb and at altitude. Something we

underestimated is the needed time to "physically adjust" to elevation in most of these parks! Whew! STUNNING! Totally worth the effort. We spent two full days just exploring all the arches in the park. We did a

half day Colorado River rafting excursion in Moab and also the Hells Revenge Jeep Tour! Highly recommend this! Jeep rock climbing at its best! To round out

> this area, we trekked all over and through Islands in the Sky in the Canyonlands and Deadhorse Point Park.

We spent a few days in the Natural bridges national monument area, hiked many bridges and arches and hiked to the 'House on Fire" which was a few miles along a river wash area to the historic site.









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From there we headed to Goblin Valley State Park where we scored a campsite for four days of dry camping in the park. What a crazy awesome place.

We hiked Little Wildhorse slot canyon in this area as well. We spent time in Capitol Reef Park and had the famous Gifford Homestead Pie! Big Red (our Dodge) drove the several miles of the Grand Wash! What an experience!

Next up we scored a campsite at Kodachrome State Park. Much to see and take in around this area including Bryce National Park. The Bryce amphitheater is stunning! We hiked the sunrise and sunset point and took in Thor's hammer! Calf Creek Falls was a fairly strenuous hike of 3+ miles each way to a beautiful



waterfall. Up and down rock scrambling and trekking through fine red sand wore us out but the waterfall was worth it! Lots of time on off road dirt and rock trails in this area sightseeing arches, wildlife and the singing rocks.

Just when you think it can't get any better, Zion National Park delivers. This too has entry passes and a shuttle system. We spent two full days here hiking the trails. The Narrows was a MUST DO! We rented the bibs, shoes and walking stick and forged the narrows which is mostly all rock, chest deep in places and several miles in to

entry point and mile back out to the shuttle. We drove the scenic Mount Carmel Highway and the tunnel which is a spectacular engineering accomplishment. On the back side or east Zion, we did a UTV slot canyon tour that delivered! The Upper and Lower Red Cave slot canyon was tight, narrow and high! Such an experience. Overall we spent over a month in this area and these parks. You could spend half a lifetime and not experience it all! Each area is different from the other and brings all new sites and experiences! We Love the Airstream life!

approximately 6 hours to finish after the mile hike in to the







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### **Region 7 President Ramblings Notes From Region 7**

#### By Chris Olsson (BRN 7827)

The 2025 Leadership Election is over now. The Executive Council Members are: Kendall Felder, Dendy Jarrett, Millie O'Donnell, Bill

Hamblin, Kenneth Johansen, James Schaal, Jan Heavener, Rachael Miller and Jenifer Schnettler.

Those in BOLD have served a full term on the Executive Board and are eligible to serve as an International Officer (President, Vice-President, or Secretary) during this term.

The IBT (International Board of Trustees) consists of the 12 Region Presidents and the Executive Council. At our next meeting on July 10, 2025, the full IBT will elect the new International President, International Vice-President, and International Secretary.

Changing topics: The International Rally is rapidly approaching. If you are attending, and you want to attend the Region 7 Brunch on Sunday, August 24th, please register at the following link:

#### https://airstreamclub.org/region7

Scroll down to the "Region 7 Brunch at the 2025 International Rally" link. All of the details are in the registration form.

While you are looking at the <u>Region 7 Website</u>, you will also see two new links:

Click here to order R7 Rally t-shirts

#### Click here to donate to the R7 Paver

The Region 7 Rally t-shirts link will bring you to the Region 7 Spread Shop where you can order tshirts and a few other items with one of the two Region 7 logos printed on it. There are two logos available. One is the Region 7 Rally 2025 logo, and the other one is a general R7 Logo that's not specific to a rally year. This is a fundraiser for Region 7 as well as a way for you to order Rally t-shirts directly from the printer. Approximately 20% of each item is profit for Region 7. In addition to tshirts, there are also a couple of coffee mugs, a travel mug, and a couple of long sleeve shirts and hoodies.

The other new link is to make a donation to the R7 Paver for the ACI Clubhouse. Details are in the donation form.

That's it for now. I hope to see you at the International Rally, the Region 7 Rally in September or some other rally down the road.





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#### By Chris Olsson (BRN 7827)

As always, if you have any questions, concerns, or something you would like me to bring to the IBT, please let me know.

Chris Olsson

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